

**Bull Terrier Club of the Niagara Frontier  
Tonawanda Valley Kennel Club  
August 30, 2009  
Judge: Bob Shreve**

The weather in upstate New York can be interesting. We had clouds, rain, mist, wind and all in the space of an hour. Despite the constant changes in the weather neither the dogs nor the exhibitors seemed to mind. It was a most enjoyable time. It was interesting for me to be invited to judge two Bull Specialties two months apart, one on the west coast in California and one in the eastern US in western New York. I felt that the dogs were very comparable. The

concerns I express in the critique of the western dogs were similar to those I found in the eastern dogs. The profiles of the heads had a nice oval shape. I found very few two part heads. Dentition continues to be a problem but to a lesser degree. "Teeth should meet in a level or scissor bite. The underjaw is to be deep and well define." There were only a few dogs that were undershot. I was pleased to see that the majority of the dogs had level or scissor bites. I found ears that were carried wide and angled away from each other, which detracted from the overall pleasing appearance of the head. "When alert the small, thin ears placed close together pointing upwards." The one thing that struck me was the number of dogs that moved with their tails pointed up rather than carried horizontally as called for in the Standard.

The overall quality of the dogs was good and thankfully they did not carry any extra weight, they were strongly built and muscular as they should be. This is a repeat of the California critique but it is appropriate for the New York dogs as well.

## **COLORED**

### **Reserve Winners Dog**

Lewis & Spike's **FREELOAF'S LYCAN OF THE UNDERWORLD** (Attraction from Dreamworks ex Free-Loaf's Time in China) Am. Bred. A dog with a nice roman finish to the head piece. He is greater in length from muzzle to eye than from eye to occipit. He has a good scissor bite and a triangular shaped eye. Length of body was similar to the WD however he was a little shorter on leg and hence had a more rectangular appearance. There was little softness in the topline. He was good coming and going.

### **Winners Dog**

Gray & Weise's **ZIRCON THUNDERALLY BOLD BAXTER** (Ch. Mighty Bulls Chap Chester ex Ultimate Joy's Special Zircon) 12 to 18 months dog. The dog had a nice, well balanced head. The dentition was slightly undershot and had a strong under jaw. A triangular eye shape. Ears were carried on top of the head. He is well ribbed up and has a lot of bone, a square dog with a strong topline. His underline shows a slight tuck up. He moved with a jaunty gait. The side gait showed his nice reach and drive.

### **Reserve Winners Bitch**

Robichaud's **BULLAYR BARK AT THE MOON** (Ch. Gwynsel It's Not Unusual x Ch. Scarlet Moon the Joker) 12 to 18 months. Good head shape with the length of muzzle from eye to nose greater the eye to occipit. She has a triangular eye and a scissor bite. A full bodied dog, solidly built with a slight rise over the loin with a slight tuck up but showed a slight dip on the go-around. Body is slightly longer than the WB. The tail was set high on the croup. The dog moved well coming and going.

### **Winners Bitch and Best of Winners**

Jones's **IMPERIAL UNDISPUTED ATTITUDE** (Ch. Cool Conquistador at Crossgarley ex Ch. Flashback's Amazing Grace) BBE. Nice oval head profile. Ears were small. A scissor bite and a strong under jaw. Good blend of the neck into the shoulders. There was a slight rise over the loin and a very good underline. The tail was a little long and was carried high when moving. She has a jaunty gait, flexing well at both the stifle and the hock joints.

### **Best of Opposite Sex**

Jones's **CH. FLASHBAK'S AMAZING GRACE** (Dunapataj Reme Tommy ex Holiday Foxy Chew Chew) Bitch. The dog has a good head piece with a roman finish and good ear carriage. The bite is good. She has a well defined under jaw. The dog is a bit longer in body than the BOV and therefore appears to be slightly off square. She has a nice underline with a good tuck up. The set on of the tail is correct. She is a well made dog.

### **Best of Variety**

Milella's **CH. PARADOX THE FOOL MONTY** (Ch. Rockytop's Sundance Kid ex Bestual Colorcopy N Action) Dog. The dog has a very nice head with a good eye shape. A good oval profile however there could be a bit more fill below the eyes. I would prefer a smaller ear however the ears are set close together and carried high. The mouth is the correct scissor and he has a good under jaw. The long neck blends nicely into the shoulders. Overall profile of the dog is square. Side movement showed agility and power.

## **WHITE**

### **Reserve Winners Dog**

Laker & Whitehair's **SANDSTONES IRISH GOLD** (Terjo's The Vital Spark ex Ch. Sandstones Rock Candy) 12 to 18 Month Class. The curve of the head was not as good as the winner's dogs. I would prefer a more defined triangle shape to the eye. The dog showed a soft a topline but had a nice underline. Feet were large and pasterns were a bit soft. There was a slight drop at the set on of the tail. Tail carried high going around. Has good bend of stifle and smooth gait.

### **Winners Dog and Best of Winners**

Bishop, Delucia & Hadel's **BULLFULS WHITE LYIN** (Ch. Rocky Tops Sundance Kid ex Merlindan Sugar and Spice) Open dog. The dog has a nice clean oval head shape. Nice triangular eye shape. Ear are nicely set on and carried well up on the head. The dog has a good topline as he moved around the ring. Underline was good. The dog has nice bone. Moved with a jaunty gait

### **Reserve Winners Bitch**

Killion & Krukenkamp's **MADCAP WHEN IN ROME** (Ch. Madcap's Veni Vidi Vici ex Ch. TNG N Buoy's Concrete Blonde, NAJ) Bred by Bitch. Nice oval shaped head with a smooth profile and a roman finish. She has a scissor bite. Nice neck and topline with proper rise over the loin. Nice underline. She was a tad wide in the front and slightly longer in body than the WB. Good tail set on. Move with a jaunty air.

### **Winners Bitch**

Uplinger & Radford's **MAYHEM HOT TO TROT** (Ch. Kilacabar Cuchulainn ex Ch. Mayhem Pipen's Hot) 12 to 18 Month Class. A good shaped head, a nice ear set and a good blend of the neck into the shoulders. Scissors bite. Shoulders were well laid back and good spring of rib. A nice topline with a slight rise over the loin and a slight drop to the set on of the tail. She moved with her legs parallel viewed from both the front and the back. From the side she flexed well both at the stifle and the hock.

**Best of Opposite Sex**

Riegraf & Radford's **CH. KILACABAR CUCHULAINN** (Nosrettrap Celtic Star at Kilacabar ex Bullbrit Love Me Do of Bullyview) Dog. The dog has a good head piece with fill under the eye and small ears carried well. The bite is undershot. He has a well defined under jaw. A square dog however he was a bit straighter in the front than I prefer. The set on of the tail is correct. Tail was carried high.

**Best of Variety**

Smith's **CH. BULLYSMITH SUNNY TIMES AHEAD** (Ch. Dajan Top Act with Action ex Action Bullysmith Times Up) Bitch. The bitch has a lovely head with a nice triangle eye. She has an excellent scissor bite and a strong underjaw. Neck blends nicely into the shoulders. The forechest is full but not over exaggerated. The topline is level with a slight rise over the loin. The underline has a graceful curve upward. Tail was carried horizontally. Side movement showed agility and power. Moved parallel both coming and going.